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APPLICATION OF RECOMMENDATION 2 OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS, 1969

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly in relation to regulations and guidelines concerning maritime safety,

NOTING recommendation 2 of the International Conference on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, concerning the use of gross and net tonnages and recognizing that the transition from existing tonnage measurement systems to the new system provided in the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (Tonnage 1969) should cause the least possible impact on the economics of merchant shipping and port operations,

NOTING FURTHER that the 1969 Tonnage Convention shall apply to existing ships as from 18 July 1994,

BEING AWARE that different Governments issue statements concerning the use of old national tonnage for ships measured under the 1969 Tonnage Convention,

REALIZING the necessity of a uniform practice concerning the statement on the old national tonnage,

BEARING IN MIND the economic impact of the transition from the existing systems of tonnage measurement to the new system for ships the keels of which were laid before 18 July 1994,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its sixty-second session,

ADOPTS the Recommendation on Application of Recommendation 2 of the International Conference on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, set out in the Annex to the present resolution.

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ANNEX

RECOMMENDATION ON APPLICATION OF RECOMMENDATION 2 OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS, 1969

In order to minimize the economic impact of the Convention and to use a unified method, Administrations are recommended to introduce the following measures:

- Notwithstanding the provisions of resolutions A.494(XII) and A.541(13) which state that gross tonnage measured under the national tonnage rules shall not be shown on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969), an entry may be made under "Remarks" on the International Tonnage Certificate (1969) as follows:
 - .1 for "existing" ships as defined in article 3(2)(d) of the Convention:

"The ship is remeasured according to article 3(2)(d) of the 1969 Tonnage Convention.

.2 for ships covered by resolution A.494(XII):

"The ship is additionally measured according to resolution A.494(XII).

- 2 The entry is to be signed by the tonnage authority issuing the International Tonnage Certificate (1969).
- 3 If the ship undergoes alterations or modifications which affect its tonnage on or after 18 July 1994 the old national tonnage figure should be deleted from the "Remarks" column.